- S. 2906, to amend the Act of August 9, 1955, to modify a provision relating to leases involving certain Indian tribes, with an amendment;
- S. 1448, to amend the Act of August 9, 1955, to authorize the Coquille Indian Tribe, the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, the Confederated Tribes of the Coos, Lower Umpqua, and Siuslaw, the Klamath Tribes, and the Burns Paiute Tribe to obtain 99-year lease authority for trust land; and

The nominations of Tracie Stevens, of Washington, to be Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission, and JoAnn Lynn Balzer, of New Mexico, and Cynthia Chavez Lamar, of New Mexico, both to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Institute of American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 193, to create and extend certain temporary district court judgeships, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Robert Neil Chatigny, of Connecticut, to be United States Circuit Judge for

the Second Circuit, Scott M. Matheson, Jr., of Utah, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit, James Kelleher Bredar, and Ellen Lipton Hollander, both to be a United States District Judge for the District of Maryland, Susan Richard Nelson, to be United States District Judge for the District of Minnesota, and Thomas Edward Delahanty II, to be United States Attorney for the District of Maine, Wendy J. Olson, to be United States Attorney for the District of Idaho, Kevin Charles Harrison, and Donald J. Cazayoux, Jr., both to be United States Marshal for the Middle District of Louisiana, Henry Lee Whitehorn, Sr., to be United States Marshal for the Western District of Louisiana, James A. Lewis, to be United States Attorney for the Central District of Illinois, and Charles Gillen Dunne, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of New York, all of the Department of Justice.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 21 public bills, H.R. 5498–5518 and 6 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 285; and H. Res. 1430–1434 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors: Pages H4387-88

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest

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Suspension: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

Amending the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 to authorize advances from Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund for the Deepwater Horizon oil spill: S. 3473, to amend the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 to authorize advances from Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund for the Deepwater Horizon oil spill, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 410 yeas with none voting "nay" and 1 voting "present", Roll No. 354. Pages H4336-42, H4365-66

FHA Reform Act of 2010: The House passed H.R. 5072, to improve the financial safety and soundness of the FHA mortgage insurance program, by a recorded vote of 406 ayes to 4 noes, Roll No. 353. Consideration of the measure began on Wednesday, June 9th.

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Agreed to the Lee (NY) motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Financial Services with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment by voice vote. Subsequently, Representative Frank (MA) reported the bill back to the House with the amendment and the amendment was agreed to.

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Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Financial Services now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule.

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Agreed to:

Cardoza amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 111–503) that prioritizes foreclosure counseling services to areas of the country that have been the hardest-hit by the housing crisis; Pages H4346–47

Cao amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 111–503) that includes information about credit risk

and financial counseling services to mortgagors in addition to the housing and loan modification information currently included in the bill; Page H4347

Bean amendment (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 111–503) that requires HUD to submit an annual report to Congress discussing proposed or actual increases in the minimum cash investment requirements (downpayment requirements) in the FHA program. It further gives HUD the authority to establish higher minimum cash investment requirements for all or class(es) of borrowers and requires HUD to take into consideration the findings of the annual report;

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Tierney amendment (No. 6 printed in H. Rept. 111–503) that directs the Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development to provide mortgage insurance premium refunds to eligible borrowers of FHA insured loans, which were closed prior to December 8, 2004, but which were not endorsed until December 8, 2004 or after that date, and authorizes such sums as may be necessary for such refunds;

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Weiner amendment (No. 8 printed in H. Rept. 111–503) that increases loan limits for the construction or rehabilitation of multifamily housing with elevators including rentals, cooperatives, condominiums to ensure that they represent today's construction costs. Creates an "extremely high cost area" category for FHA Multifamily Insurance for those areas, similar to those in Alaska, Guam, Hawaii, and the Virgin Islands;

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Clarke amendment (No. 10 printed in H. Rept. 111–503) that directs the GAO to include in its FHA report an analysis on the effectiveness of HUD's loss mitigation home retention options in assisting individuals, particularly low income borrowers, in avoiding home foreclosure for mortgages;

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Nye amendment (No. 11 printed in H. Rept. 111–503) that instructs the Federal Housing Administration to continue the Special Forbearance program, as it relates to Chinese Drywall, until the end of FY 2011;

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Waters amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 111–503) that provides for various technical corrections, makes modifications to the GAO report in section 15 of the bill, provides that the Secretary may increase loan limits for micropolitan counties surrounded by higher cost areas and experiencing significant growth, and addresses documentation standards for FHA loans (by a recorded vote of 417 ayes to 3 noes, Roll No. 347);

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Edwards (TX) amendment (No. 12 printed in H. Rept. 111–503) that requires individuals to certify that they have not been convicted of a sex offense against a minor in order to get an FHA mortgage

(by a recorded vote of 420 ayes to 4 noes, Roll No. 351); and Pages H4357–58, H4362

Maffei amendment (No. 13 printed in H. Rept. 111–503) that states that no funds authorized under the act may be used to pay the salary of an employee who has been officially disciplined for viewing, downloading, or exchanging pornography (including child pornography) on a Federal Government computer or while performing official Federal Government duties (by a recorded vote of 416 ayes with none voting "no" and 1 voting "present", Roll No. 352).

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Rejected:

Garrett (NJ) amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 111–503) that sought to raise the FHA down payment requirement from 3.5% to 5% and prohibit closing costs from being rolled in as well (by a recorded vote of 131 ayes to 289 noes, Roll No. 348);

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Price (GA) amendment (No. 7 printed in H. Rept. 111–503) that sought to cap the number of mortgages the FHA can issue to 10% of total loans originated in each year. Within 90 days of enactment, FHA must submit a plan to Congress to roll back FHA market share to 10% of loans originated each year by 2012 (by a recorded vote of 106 ayes to 316 noes, Roll No. 349); and

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Turner amendment (No. 9 printed in H. Rept. 111–503) that sought to repeal the emergency authority that allows the FHA to insure loans up to \$720,000 in certain high cost areas. The amendment sought to create a maximum loan limit of \$500,000 for a single family unit and a percentage of the same ratio for 2-, 3- or 4-family residences (by a recorded vote of 121 ayes to 301 noes, Roll No. 350).

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Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House.

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H. Res. 1424, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to on Wednesday, June 9th.

Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in memory of Arthur A. Link, former Member of Congress.

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Suspension—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the following measure which was debated on Wednesday, June 9th:

Congratulating Clinton County and the county seat of Wilmington, Ohio, on the occasion of their bicentennial anniversaries: H. Res. 1121, to congratulate Clinton County and the county seat of Wilmington, Ohio, on the occasion of their bicentennial anniversaries.

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Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, June 14th for morning hour debate.

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Reception of Former Members of Congress: Agreed that the House will meet at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, June 15th, for the purpose of receiving in the Chamber former Members of Congress, and that the Speaker may declare a recess subject to the call of the Chair for such purpose.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and seven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4359, H4360, H4361, H4361–62, H4362, H4363, H4365, H4365–66. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 5:46 p.m.

Committee Meetings

COMMUNICATIONS AND VIDEO ACCESSIBILITY

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, and the Internet held a hearing on H.R. 3101, Twenty-First Century Communications and Video Accessibility Act of 2009. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

GULF OIL SPILL—HUMAN EXPOSURE/ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a hearing entitled "The BP Oil Spill: Human Exposure and Environmental Fate." Testimony was heard from Gina Solomon, M.D., Science Advisory Board, EPA; and public witnesses.

HUMAN RIGHTS AND DEMOCRACY ASSISTANCE OVERSEAS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Held a hearing on Human Rights and Democracy Assistance: Increasing the Effectiveness of U.S. Foreign Aid. Testimony was heard from Lorne W. Craner, former Assistant Secretary, Democracy, Human Rights and Labor, Department of State; and public witnesses.

THAILAND RECONCILIATION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, and the Global Environment held a hearing on Thailand: The Path Toward Reconciliation. Testimony was heard from Scot Marciel, Deputy Assistant Secretary and Ambassador for ASEAN Affairs, Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

PROTECTING OLDER AMERICANS AGAINST DISCRIMINATION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties held a hearing on H.R. 3721, Protecting Older Workers Against Discrimination Act. Testimony was heard from Jocelyn Samuels, Senior Counsel, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—DEEPWATER HORIZON OIL SPILL IN GULF OF MEXICO

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife held an oversight hearing on the Deepwater Horizon oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico, with emphasis on "Our Natural Resources at Risk: The Short and Long Term Impact of the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill." Testimony was heard from David Westerholm, Director, Office of Response and Restoration, NOAA, Department of Commerce; Jane Lyder, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior; Timothy J. Ragen, Executive Director, Marine Mammal Commission; Robert J. Barham, Secretary, Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, State of Louisiana; and public witnesses.

Hearing continues June 15.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 3785, Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area Boundary Study Act of 2009; H.R. 4823, Sedona-Red Rock National Scenic Area Act of 2010; H.R. 5009, Wasatch Wilderness and Watershed Protection Act of 2010; H.R. 5110. Casa Grande Ruins National Monument Boundary Modification Act of 2010; H.R. 5131, Coltsville National Historical Park Act; H.R. 5152, Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park Boundary Adjustment Act of 2010; and H.R. 5194, Mt. Andrea Lawrence Designation Act of 2010. Testimony was heard from Representatives Matheson, Kirkpatrick of Arizona, Gingrey of Georgia; Larson and McKeon; Joel Holtrop, Deputy Chief, National Forest System, U.S. Forest Service, USDA; Stephen Whitesell, Associate Director, Park Planning, Facilities and Public Lands, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

IMPROVING TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Research and Science Education held a hearing on From the Lab Bench to the Marketplace: Improving Technology Transfer. Testimony was heard from Thomas W. Peterson, Assistant Director, Directorate for Engineering, NSF; and public witnesses.